FARM MARKET SUMMARY Dec 08-Dec 12, 2014 FEDERAL - STATE MARKET NEWS SERVICE, DIVISION OF MARKETING – NCDA&CS

North Carolina's egg prices were steady on small and medium, higher on large, lower on extra large when compared to last week. Supplies are moderate to meet a moderate demand. The North Carolina weighted average price quoted Thursday, Dec 11, 2014 for small lot sales of delivered, cartoned, grade "A" eggs was 227.00 for Extra Large, 229.20 for Large, 155.86 for Medium, and 114.00 for Small eggs.

No. 2 yellow shelled corn was steady to \$.09 higher when compared to last week. Prices ranged mostly \$4.37-\$4.68 at the feed mills and \$4.15-\$4.44 at elevators through Thursday, Dec 11, 2014. No. 1 yellow soybeans were \$.27 to \$.37 higher, and ranged \$10.32-\$10.54 at processors, mostly \$9.97-\$10.14 at elevators. No. 2 red winter wheat was without a price comparison. Soybean meal, f.o.b at processing plants ranged \$524.20-\$541.60 per ton for 48% protein. New crop prices quoted for harvest delivery corn ranged \$4.18-\$5.01 and wheat ranged \$4.65-\$4.92.

At the 8 weekly livestock auctions covered by the Market News Service, 5,443 cattle were sold. All prices are per hundred weight (cwt). Slaughter cows were steady to \$1.00 higher and bulls unevenly steady. M&L 1-2 feeder steers were mostly steady to \$3.00 higher, bulls mostly steady to \$5.00 higher, and heifers mostly steady to \$4.00 higher. Average dressing slaughter cows brought \$100.00-\$121.00, with high dressing up to \$137.00. Average dressing slaughter bulls, 1000 lbs., & up, sold from \$112.00-\$139.00, with high dressing ranging \$129.00-\$156.00. M&L 1-2 feeder steers, 400-500 lbs., brought \$240.00-\$315.00, 500-600 lbs. ranged from \$219.00-\$270.00, feeder bulls, 400-500 lbs. brought \$220.00-\$298.00, 500-600 lbs. \$210.00-\$265.00; feeder heifers 400-500 lbs. returned \$220.00-\$275.00 and 500-600 lbs. were \$205.00-\$244.00.

A total of 148 goats and 60 sheep were sold at the regular weekly auctions. Goats and sheep are sold per head, weights estimated. Goats: Slaughter and Replacement Classes, Selection 1 and 2 Kids: 20-80 lbs. \$70.00-\$195.00. Yearlings: 60-100 lbs. \$120.00-\$190.00. Does/Nannies: 50-100 lbs. \$85.00-\$144.00, 100-140 lbs. \$140.00-\$261.00. Bucks/Billies: 70-100 lbs. \$71.00-\$140.00, 100-150 lbs. \$165.00-\$172.00, 150-250 lbs. \$210.00-\$336.00. Sheep: Slaughter lambs: Good 60-100 lbs. \$90.00-\$102.00, 100-140 lbs \$112.00-\$128.00; Choice & Prime 100-140 lbs. \$112.00-\$128.00. Slaughter ewes: Good 100-200 lbs. \$105.00-\$170.00, Utility 80-100 lbs. \$85.00-\$140.00, Cull 60-120 lbs. \$117.00-\$170.00.

Eastern Cornbelt direct sows on a live basis plant delivered: 300-449 lbs. ranged \$56.50-\$76.00; 450-499 lbs. were \$61.00-\$77.00; 500 lbs. and up \$60.00-\$78.00. Iowa/Minnesota hogs carcass basis, plant delivered, ranged \$83.02-\$84.87.

N.C. Fruit and Vegetables (Shipping Point FOB): Eastern North Carolina Vegetables

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Greens: Various containers bunched/loose Collard, Kale, Mustard, and Turnip Tops \$7.00-\$8.00 some \$6.50. Sweet Potatoes: 40 pound cartons Orange Types U.S. No. 1 \$16.00-\$18.00 some high as \$20.00 few lower, U.S. No. 1 Petite \$13.00-\$15.00 few higher and lower, U.S. No. 2 \$8.00-\$10.00 some \$12.00 few higher and lower, No Grade Marks jumbo \$9.00-\$10.00 some \$8.00 few higher and lower.